Dear KNP Volunteer,

Thank you to all of our **Tray it Forward** Volunteers who assisted in an important food security project in the past week!

**Some stats of what took place today and Monday:**

- Over 50 volunteers participated in bagging more than 375 bags of compost and delivering more than 375 seedling trays (or 7,824 vegetable plants) to our neighbors in the Kearsarge community today.
- Our volunteers ranged in age from late teens to over 90 years old!
- (Note: If you volunteered please take 30 seconds to [check in on our website](https://app.constantcontact.com/pages/campaigns/email-details/details/act... 1 of 3 5/26/21, 9:13 PM) to record your hours and any additional comments regarding your delivery.)

**The stories coming back from our delivery volunteers are amazing.**

- One neighbor wanted to grow a garden for their neighbor because their neighbor’s two-month old baby has been diagnosed with cancer and they wanted them to have good fresh foods.
- Another neighbor in Newport is running three support groups for different aged children from at risk families. She thought the families growing gardens would be a perfect way to stay connected during the summer.
The stories go on and on. Hopefully the connections built through growing food will do the same.

All of our recipients received growing instructions and are automatically part of our region-wide Victory Garden Revival, which through various media will help local gardeners in the Kearsarge region, and even better knit our community together.

And now some thanks . . .
Feed Kearsarge 2021 would not have been possible without the amazing organizational skills of Mary Ellen Mathewson and the KNP Volunteer Committee.

Also essential to our success were the resources of Hannah Flanders and the Kearsarge Food Hub and Prof. Leon Malan and Colby Sawyer College.

Finally, all the planning in the world doesn’t grow plants! Spring Ledge Farm paid for half the plants and grew them all in their green houses. Greg Berger even showed up on his day off to make sure it all went well!

If you were not able to volunteer today, we hope that you can do so in the future.

Thank you all for being part of KNP.

With Gratitude, Steve

Steve Allenby
KNP President